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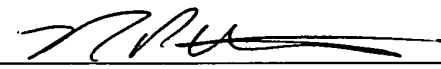
Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated March 14, 2003 be extended for a period of One month(s) from June 14, 2003 to and including July 14, 2003.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$110.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150 (order no. 1803-330-999). A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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